





### Judge puts off child-porn case against bishop

**COURT** A judge has put off the case of a Roman Catholic bishop facing child-pornography charges.

A lawyer for Raymond Lahey has asked for more disclosure of evidence on the charges of possessing and importing child pornography.

The Nova Scotia bishop was charged Sept. 25 — 10 days after he was detained and questioned by Canada Border Services Agency officers at Ottawa airport.

Lahey, 69, stepped down as bishop of the diocese in Antigonish, N.S., and has been staying with other priests in Ottawa since he was granted bail

Police say they found hundreds of files and dozens of videos on Lahey's laptop after he arrived in Ottawa on a flight from the United Kingdom, many of them showing young males engaged in sex acts.

Police warrants say some images show boys as young as eight, though none of the allegations made in the search warrants have been proven in court.

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### News on the Maye

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### Liven up laundry day



### Flu New assessment clinic



A Community Health employee cleans the hand rails at the Sandy Hill Community Health centre which opened a flu assessment clinic to help reduce the pressures on emergency rooms in Ottawa yesterday. Health Minister Deb Matthews says Ontario will run out of the regular swine flu vaccine by the end of the week. More on the city's H1N1 measures, page 3

# **Councillor cries foul**

### Doucet claims analysis of Lansdowne Plan was withheld

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A day before feedback from public consultations on the Lansdowne Partnership Plan will be released, one councillor is claiming city staff withheld crucial information that could have significantly impacted how council viewed the proposal.

Yesterday, Capital Ward Coun. Clive Doucet questioned why an unfavourable analysis of the Lansdowne Plan written by George Dark of Urban Strategies Inc., and delivered to the city on July 16, was not made public until recently, along with letters from the Canadian Football "Information necessary to the public debate has been denied us consistently over a long period of time."

Coun. Clive Doucet

League.

Doucet suggested the proposal to redevelop the park was a backroom deal involving Mayor Larry O'Brien and a handful of councillors.

"It's wrong. We should have had those documents (instead of) getting it two weeks after you've had months and months of public debate founded on a lack of information," said Doucet.

"Information necessary to the public debate has been denied us consistently over a long period of time."

Mayor Larry O'Brien shrugged off Doucet's assertions on non-transparency as being false.

"I am confident that our city manager and staff have negotiated a deal that is in the very best interests of both the taxpayer and the Lansdowne site," he said. 'It's time to return this neglected part of our city to its former glory.

Orleans Coun. Bob Monette insisted the negotiations on Lansdowne have been completely "aboveboard" and no private deals and meetings happened prior to the proposal being made public.

"I sat down after the proposal was put in place ... I wanted to know more about the proposal. I find it astonishing that Coun. Doucet would not have asked for a meeting with the city manager or the mayor, when it's in his own ward," said Monette.

"I think Clive Doucet is starting to look more and more like Inspector Clouseau of the Glebe. I'm starting to envision him walking down the halls at night, with a magnifying glass to see what he can uncover."

To see the urban strategies report and the letter from CFL visit metronews.ca/local.

### Government iob seekers asked to pen unusual essay

**ACTION PLAN** An elite federal program to recruit the best new graduates suddenly wants to know the applicants' views on the government's vaunted Economic Action Plan before they get a job interview.

The Accelerated Economist Training Program invites highly educated people to develop careers in the federal public service, starting at a senior level.

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ing at four departments. "It smells They start at about \$50,000 a year and after two years can earn

bit." Leslie Pal, Carleton over \$80,000. professor

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Spaces are in high demand among university graduates.

But this year, for the first time, candidates need to provide more than a list of qualifications and good marks. They also must write 1,000 words on the federal government's last budget, promoted widely as the Economic Action Plan.

The budget has now become the centre of government advertising and is at the heart of election campaigning and the Conservative party's promotional efforts.

"In 2009, the Government of Canada introduced Canada's Economic Action Plan to help Canada's economy weather the economic storm," says the application form. "In 1,000 words or less, please choose two of these measures and discuss their implications for Canada."

Applicants must consider the social, economic or international policy implications of the budget, it says.

"It smells a little bit," said Leslie Pal, professor of public policy at Carleton University.

"It places an unfortunate implication of inviting people to write glowing things about the economic recovery plan." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# METRO INTERNATIONAL NEWSPAPER OF THE YEAR

### 16-year-old faces charges in October pharmacy robbery

**INVESTIGATION** Police have charged a teenager after arresting a robbery suspect earlier this week. On Tuesday, police arrested a male in connection with a robbery at a Jean Coutu Pharmacy in the 2700 block of St. Joseph Boulevard in Orleans.

Police said on Oct. 11, a lone male suspect entered the pharmacy. A note was passed and an undisclosed quantity of prescription drugs stolen. A 16-year-old boy faces charges of robbery and uttering threats. He appears in court Nov. 25.

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# Vaccines for pregnant women ready

Health officials unclear when supply for other priority patients will arrive

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While the City of Ottawa has enough H1N1 vaccines for pregnant women for the foreseeable future. Ottawa Public Health is still unsure about when the next shipment of adjuvanted vaccines will come in for other priority patients.

"Ottawa Public Health has received 5,500 doses of the unadjuvanted vaccine," said Sherry Nigro, manager of integration, quality and standards for

### Flu Outbreak

Ottawa Public Health.

While the unadjuvanted vaccine will be made available to pregnant women when they visit the public vaccination clinics starting today, Nigro, who is also responsible for pan-demic planning, said the city is in discussions with alternate service providers to set up clinics for pregnant women in the next few days.

The unadjuvanted vaccine is not expected to

### H<sub>1</sub>N<sub>1</sub>

The number of lab-confirmed cases of H1N1 continues to rise steadily in Ottawa, with 44 new cases and one death in the city this week. The victim — the city's sixth casualty from H1N1 had underlying medical conditions, said Sherry Nigro of Ottawa Public Health.

run low, at least not as quickly as the adjuvanted vaccine did.

There is a significant amount of that vaccine,' said Shauna Graham, nursing manager for the vaccine clinics. "Fifty-five hundred doses will accommodate that population.

Public health doesn't know when the next adjuvanted supply is expected, said Nigro

To date, the city has distributed over 100,000 vaccines to people in priority groups, she said. While the flu assessment

centres, which opened yesterday, were set up to relieve overburdened hospitals, emergency units remain busy.

"Last week, emergency volumes across the city were up 10 to 25 per cent, when we compare that to the normal volume we usually see this time of year.' said Dr. Lindy Sampson, chief of infectious diseases and chief of pandemic planning at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

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# Blue Rodeo duo don't leave vinyl behind

Less than four months after Blue Rodeo played for tens of thousands of fans at Bluesfest, Jim Cuddy and Greg Keelor returned to the National Capital Region to play for a much more intimate crowd last

In their first tour as a duo in 31 years of making music together, the band's founding members played a sold-out show at Wakefield's Black Sheep Inn to promote their new album, The Things We Left Be-

Released next Tuesday, their 12th album features songs that were written for vinyl, a format that has allowed them greater musical freedom, Cuddy said before the show yesterday.

"It gave us so much more freedom to treat the songs how we wanted and make them the length we thought was appropriate instead of cram them onto



Blue Rodeo's Jim Cuddy, left, and Greg Keelor talk about their new album, The Things We Left Behind, in Ottawa yesterday, shortly before performing an intimate show last night at the Black Sheep Inn in nearby Wakefield.

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There's a resurgence of vinyl, added Keelor.

'There's a certain romance in it again. Vinyl has never gone away but in the last few years, it's really started to come back a lot.

Looking back on the last three decades. Cuddy said they've been fortunate.

'We never succumbed to

just making money or doing things that we don't think have integrity for whatever elusive success might be at the other end. It's been a good life."

### Man faces fraud charges after investigation

COURT A 28-year-old Ottawa man faces fraud charges following a joint investigation by Ottawa and Gatineau police.

The Ottawa Police Service Organized Fraud Unit, in partnership with Gatineau police, conducted a monthlong investigation into the making and distribution of fraudulent cheques.

Police allege that suspects were recruiting street people in Ottawa to cash fraudulent cheques at financial institutions. Two search warrants were executed in Ottawa and Gatineau Tuesday. Police seized computer equipment, a printer, blank cheques, money and a vehicle.

A man faces charges of conspiracy to commit indictable offences and counselling to commit indictable offences.

Khaled Shegow appeared in court yesterday.

Police said they expect to lay further charges.

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# **Canada**



### Hillier to be questioned on torture

A special Commons committee wants to question Canada's former top military commander over the handling of Afghan prisoners. Gen. Rick Hillier is among the witnesses to be called before the committee on Afghanistan. The hearings over the next few weeks will look at what the government and senior commanders knew about the possibility of torture in Afghan jails and whether there was a cover-up. It's unclear how many of the hearings will be public. THE CANADIAN PRESS

teammates of Ashley Neufeld have held an impromptu memorial service in her hometown of Brandon, Man. Dozens of people marked the life of the star softball player at a local ball diamond, drawing a large heart in the infield dirt and placing flowers at second base. Neufeld was one of three young women who died after the jeep they were in got submerged in a farm pond in

MEMORIAL Friends and former

North Dakota. **SWINE FLU** Canadians have been lining up to get an H1N1 flu shot, but it may not be just themselves they have to worry about. Some pets may also be susceptible to the disease.

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# Gun registry's end in sight MPs should wait their

### Commons votes in principle to kill controversial list

The national debate over gun control that many Canadians thought had been resolved a decade ago has roared back to life after the House of Commons voted in principle vesterday to end the long-gun registry.

The minority Conservative government got help from 12 New Democrats, eight Liberals and one Independent to pass a private member's bill that would kill the registry, expunge records on more

million seven firearms, and plow under a \$1-billion taxpayer investment

The 164-137 vote in favour of Bill C-391 is a big victory for the Tories, who have been fighting for years to end what they call "wasteful, inefficient" registry.

The bill now goes to a

Commons committee for and possible amendment - setting the stage for another heated national argument over

the best way to curb gun violence. Regardless what happens next, it appears the lid has been pried off the gun box.

Conservatives say the registry is a billion-dollar waste that targets honest gun-owners while doing nothing to fight crime.

Proponents, including police and victims-rights groups, say the registry is a useful investigative tool and has led to more responsible gun ownership, suicides and reducing

deadly crimes of passion.

Leader Michael Ignatieff said earlier yesterday that his Liberals, who brought in the long-run registry in response to the December 1989 massacre of 14 women at a Montreal college, still support "the

principle" of gun control.

But, he added: "the issue is to find a system of gun control that works for all Canadians — that works in rural Canada, that works urban Canada."

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# wait their turn: NDP

2010 TICKETS New

Democrats say MPs have no right to walk to the front of Olympic ticket queue while the rest of Ĉanadians line up.

NDP MPs are refusing the opportunity to purchase Winter Olympic tickets set aside for sale to parliamentarians and are urging their colleagues in the House of Commons to follow suit.

"These tickets are being sought after by Canadians and I think members of Parliament shouldn't be jumping in line in front of ordinary Canadians, who would love to participate. We should get in line like anybody else," NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday.

"New Democrat MPs won't accept any of these tickets that are being made available and I hope that other MPs will do the same," he said, adding the 36-member caucus was to get 65 tickets for an assortment of events.

Sports Minister Gary Lunn accused the New Democrats of politicizing the Vancouver Winter Games and instead urged all MPs to get behind the athletes.

'Nobody should be politicizing these games,"

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## Doer meets Obama on 'Buy American'

TRADE Canada's newest ambassador to the United States met yesterday with President Barack Obama to present his diplomatic credentials, but it wasn't all handshakes, good wishes and a handful of White House M&Ms — the thorny issue of Buy American was also on the agenda.

Gary Doer, accompanied by his wife and daughters, said the controversial U.S. trade policy was at the centre of a brief discussion with the president, despite Obama's apparent weariness of the subject.

"(Obama) seems to have heard the issue of Buy American from our prime minister over and over and over again," the former Manitoba premier said after his meeting, nibbling on the chocolate candy that's become the snack of choice both at the White

### **Impact**

 Obama has downplayed the effects of Buy American on Canadian exporters and manufacturers, referring to it on several occasions - including during Harper's visit to the Oval Office in September — as a minor kerfuffle in the Canada-U.S. trade relationship.

House and in the Oval Of-

"But within the protocol it was useful to again mention it ... my duty is to make sure we repeat it over and over and over again until we get a reasonable agreement with the United States on it.'

Doer said the president was more keen to discuss family matters rather than politics.

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### Ottawa **Star power**



Astronaut Julie Payette presents Prime Minister Stephen Harper with a flag and mission emblem flown on Space Shuttle Mission STS-127 on Parliament Hill yesterday. A Canadian Space Agency (CSA) astronaut, Payette has completed two spaceflights, logging more than 25 days in space. She serves as chief astronaut for the CSA, and has served for both NASA and CSATHE.





General Rick Hillier will present his leadership strategies and experiences at the leadership event to be held on Monday, November 16th at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa. General Hillier will share his viewpoints on leadership and will be joined by special guest Vern White, Chief of Police, Ottawa Police Services. The two will engage in a debate on the topic of leadership.



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# **Tories slammed over signs**

The Conservatives are being accused of wasting millions of taxpayers' dolars by forcing cashstrapped Ontario and municipalities to help pay for billboards advertising the Harper government's economic program at thousands of infrastructure projects around the province.

The Liberals and NDP slammed the Conservatives for requiring provincial and city governments receiving infrastructure cash to buy an additional sign at each building project specifying that the federal government paid part of the bill under its Economic Action Plan.

These billboards, which cost up to \$4,250 apiece, are part of an extensive

"They are sticking municipalities with a big part of the cost. Local tax dollars are being forced to finance Conservative propaganda." Liberal MP Ralph Goodale

campaign by Prime Minister Stephen Harper's government to promote its Jan. 27 budget, which was entitled the "Economic Action Plan."

Liberal MP Ralph Goodale said participating governments have traditionally needed only one billboard to share credit for jointly funding a project of this kind.

In the Commons, Goodale expressed outrage that the federal government is forcing provinces and cities to devote what he estimates at \$45 million to promote the Conservative economic plan at a time when many Canadi-

ans are unable to get H1N1

"While millions of Canadians cannot get vaccinated, the Conservatives are not only wasting up to \$45 million on useless signs but they actually want two signs, not just one, on every project," Goodale said in the Commons.

"They are sticking municipalities with a big part of the cost, Local tax dollars are being forced to finance Conservative propaganda."

But, answering for the Conservatives, Transport Minister John Baird brushed aside the criticism, saying the federal government needs to let Canadians know how their money is being spent.

"What we are doing is

what we are doing is moving forward with an unprecedented partnership with the provinces, territories and municipalities on infrastructure projects in every corner of the country, from coast to coast to coast, and like previous governments, we are ensuring that those investments are communicated to the public," Baird told MPs. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# No stimulus extension for Montreal: Ottawa

FUNDING Memo to Montreal: Don't count on any special favours from Ottawa while you're busy cleaning up your corruption mess at city hall.

The federal government has given cities two years to spend stimulus cash on construction projects and it says Montreal won't get an extension as it deals with its current predicament. That could put the city at a disadvantage now that it has suspended building contracts while it cleans up after a scandal involving construction companies, politicians, and the Mafia.

Montreal is working to create a more transparent bidding process while other cities across Canada are busily signing contracts for new roads, sewers and community centres.

Still, Ottawa's deadline remains firm.

"The rules are the rules and everyone is playing by

### Other cities

 Other municipalities across Quebec have also called for an extension to the two-year deadline for stimulus spending. They say stimulus funds were slow to roll out and that this fall's municipal elections caused further delays.

the same rules," said Chris Day, a spokesman for Transport Minister John Baird. "Municipalities have always been fully aware of the March 2011 deadline. They applied for projects that could meet that deadline and signed attestations to that effect."

He said the timeline is strict as it was established to spur economic activity and create jobs when they were needed most — during the recession that started last year.

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# 'Dalton days' may dawn soon, premier says

POLITICS Premier Dalton McGuinty says public service workers have been "sheltered" from the recession and strongly hinted that unpaid days off loom for many on the taxpayers' payroll.

McGuinty said yesterday it's not fair private-sector workers are feeling the pinch while civil servants "clearly" are not, since the province faces a record \$24.7-billion deficit this year

"The issue is now, 'So, how can we contribute to the solution?" the premier said, when asked about the possibility of unpaid "Dalton Days" for tens of thousands of workers.

"I like the alliteration," he quipped, "but we're going to have to sit down with our public-sector partners"

In 1993, former NDP premier Bob Rae mandated 12 days of furlough known as "Rae Days," which infuriated labour unions but prevented mass layoffs.

Speaking to business leaders at an annual economic summit organized by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce in Niagara-onthe-Lake, McGuinty pulled no punches. "You might argue that

"You might argue that we in government have been sheltered from the ravages of the global recession. That's been a privileged position for us to occupy," he said, conceding public servants, including teachers, nurses, and bureaucrats may not be pleased with the tack the government takes.

Ontario Federation of Labour president Wayne Samuelson said it's "bizarre" that McGuinty may target workers to tackle a deficit that is in part exacerbated by slashing corporate taxes.

"If the government had any ... respect for people and the economy, they would be bringing people together to have conversations rather than going to fancy business soirées and throwing this kind of stuff around," said Samuelson, whose organization represents 700,000 unionized workers in the province.

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Charles, the Prince of Wales. right, speaks with Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty after arriving in Toronto yesterday. McGuinty hinted yesterday that mandatory unpaid days off could be on the way for public-sector workers.

### Ontario's H1N1 toll hits 37: King

HEALTH Ontario's chief medical officer of health says the number of people who

the province after contracting swine flu has

risen to 37.
That's up
from the 33 Dr. Arlene
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Dr. Arlene
King Tuesday. King added at
a briefing today that 108

people are in hospital. There's an increasing

### Flu **Outbreak**

number of people showing up at emergency rooms with flu-like symptoms, and King says it shows the importance of priority groups getting a swine flu shot. Officials said the province will run out of regular vaccine by the end of next week, and King says there's no word on when supplies will arrive or in what quantities.

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### **News** in brief

ARREST The lawyer for a University of Western Ontario student whose violent arrest last month was caught on video plans to file a lawsuit. The 22-year-old man is charged with resisting arrest, assaulting a peace officer and escaping custody and will appear in court Nov. 19. Police have said force

was needed to subdue and arrest the student, who they allege was combative.

PROTEST The lawyer for 16

freenpeace members says they intend to plead not guilty to charges stemming from a protest at a Shell Canada site near Edmonton last month.

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U.S. state to begin abortion notification for teens

Illinois is clear to start enforcing a long-debated parental notification law for teen girls seeking abortions after more than a decade of legal challenges. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# World

# British satire magazine turns 30 Comic magazine Viz — renowned for its swearing, toilet humour and biting satire — is celebrating its 30th birthday with a major exhibition at London's Cartoon Museum. In the influential magazine's pages, Britons are drunken, lecherous, conniving and often stupid. Real-life figures such as rock stars Sting and Bono to Osama bin Laden, are ruthlessly mocked. "It's in that great tradition of vicious and surreal British humour that includes Monty Python," said writer and broadcaster Charlie Brooker. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Tale of two protests

The contrasts were vivid: Pro-government supporters chanted "Death to America" and stomped on U.S. flags yesterday while not far away, hundreds of opposition protesters denounced Iran's leaders and appealed to America's president to choose sides.

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"Obama, Obama, you are either with them, or with us," the anti-government protesters chanted in Farsi, in a video clip widely circulated on the Internet.

The new and startling appeal to U.S. President Barack Obama came as Iran's opposition protesters returned to the streets in large numbers for the first time in nearly two months.

Authorities were ready with the same sweeping measures they used to quell fierce election-fraud m.metrenews.ca



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protests this summer and early fall: Sending paramilitary units to key locations to fire tear gas and beat people with batons.

The day — marking the 30th anniversary of the 1979 U.S. Embassy takeover — has major symbolic importance for Iran's leaders.

Thousands of people attended a pro-government rally called to mark the anniversary outside Washington's former embassy in Tehran. In all, several thousand protesters joined the marches in various spots across the city. But those numbers were far smaller than at the height of the outrage after claims that Ahmadinejad stole the election by fraud this summer.

Mobile phones were disrupted as was Internet access and text messaging, in another echo of the summer. Yet amateur video like the one appealing to Obama still was posted on Web sites, showing protesters in fall clothes and coats in Tehran's streets.

Some demonstrators were injured and arrested, witnesses said, but a clear number could not be independently obtained. There were no reports of serious injuries. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Russia Protests turn violent



Extreme Russian nationalists beat protesters who confronted them at a rally marking National Unity Day in St. Petersburg yesterday. The new holiday, marking the end of the foreign intervention in Russia in 1612, was created in 2005 to replace the traditional Nov. 7 celebration of the 1917 Bolshevik rise to power.

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### Railways hope to curb suicides

JAPAN Alarmed by a rise in people jumping to their deaths in front of trains, some Japanese railway operators are installing special blue lights above station platforms they hope will have a soothing effect and reduce suicides.

As of November, East Japan Railway Co. has put blue LED lights in all 29 stations on Tokyo's central train loop, used by eight million passengers each day. There's no scientific proof that the lights actually reduce suicides, and some experts are skeptical it will have any effect.

But others say blue does have a calming effect on people. "We associate the colour with the sky and the 2,000

Approximate number of suicides in Japan last year just from people jumping in front of trains.

sea," Mizuki Takahashi, a therapist at the Japan Institute of Color Psychology.

"It has a calming effect on agitated people, or people obsessed with one particular thing, which in this case is committing suicide."

Suicide rates in Japan have risen this year amid economic woes, and could surpass the record 34,427 deaths in 2003.

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### **News** in brief

TEXAS A former member of a polygamist group has taken the stand in the sexual assault trial of the first group member tried since Texas authorities raided the group's ranch last year. Rebecca Musser testified yesterday that jailed leader Warren Jeffs kept detailed notes on his interactions with church members because he believed God would hold him accountable.

VIETNAM The death toll from Tropical Storm Mirinae rose to 91 in Vietnam yesterday as authorities stepped up rescue and relief operations in the country's central region. An additional 13 people were missing. Although flood waters were beginning to recede, many areas remain inundated.

NYC Billionaire Michael
Bloomberg narrowly won a
third term as New York City's
mayor Tuesday in a race that
was startlingly close. The richest man in New York fended
off William Thompson Jr., who
had tried to stoke voter resentment over the way Bloomberg
changed the city's term-limits
law so he could stay in office.

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## Doctors arrested for selling babies

MEXICO Three doctors and a nurse have been arrested for allegedly selling newborns after telling mothers their babies had died at a private hospital in Mexico City, authorities said vesterday. Police uncovered the scheme after one of the women learned her baby was alive and had been sold to another woman for about \$1,200, said Luis Genaro, the capital's deputy attorney general. The woman gave birth at a hospital in 2008, Genaro said. He said she told authorities she heard her baby cry but when she asked to see the child, doctors told her she had to wait until the effects of the anesthetics wore off. Later, doctors told her the baby died and had been cremat-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Maine rejects gay marriage

U.S. Voters in the state of Maine repealed a law that would have allowed samesex couples to wed, dealing the gay rights movement a heartbreaking defeat in the corner of the country most supportive of gay marriage. Gay marriage has now lost in every single U.S. state — 31 in all — in which it has been put to a popular vote.

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#### California reports big jump in pot plant seizures

Authorities reported a jump in the marijuana plants seized in California's eradication effort, with more than 50 per cent jump over the previous year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Cleveland's house of horror leaves many questions

The run-down Cleveland neighbourhood where 50year-old Anthony Sowell quietly carved out an existence is the type of place where women can disappear almost in plain sight.

Where crack users sneak into vacant houses to do drugs, have sex, then steal copper pipes and wiring to make a few bucks. Where no one asks a lot of questions, even about the smell of rotting meat that came when the wind blew a certain way. Some likened it to the smell of death, and it seemed to follow Sowell around.

No one is sure how long Sowell, a registered sex offender who would offer free barbecue to the neighbours, had been living in his threestory house with corpses lying around, many of them women who had been strangled.

Police have now recovered 11 bodies from the home on Imperial Avenue, in the living room, crawl spaces and backyard graves.

### "How did somebody get away with this in a residential neighbourhood?"

Cleveland city councillor Zach Reed

There was even a skull in the basement.

But if Sowell's street is seedy, it's far from abandoned. Occupied homes are sandwiched between vacant, boarded-up houses and scattered small businesses with a steady stream of customers.

"We're not talking about some desolate area, some abandoned barn," said Councilman Zach Reed, whose mother lives a block away.

"How did somebody get away with this in a residential neighbourhood?"

Even residents seemed unfazed by the disappearances: They say many of the women were known prostitutes or drug users.

But relatives of presumed victims charge that police ignored their missing person reports.

"They told us to go home, and as soon as the drugs are gone, she'll show up," said Markiesha Carmichael-Jacobs, whose 53-year-old mother Tonia, a drug addict, vanished Nov. 10, 2008. Police identified her yesterday as one of the victims, saying her body was found buried in the backyard with marks indicating strangulation.

Some wonder whether police just didn't look for the women because they were from the city. Or because they were black.

Residents said that in retrospect the smell alone should have raised questions. It smelled like a dead dog, they say. Like sewage. Like rotting meat.

"It was smelling so bad, horrible, putrid," said Kenneth Broader, a postal carrier who delivers mail to Imperial Avenue.

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# Crabs: Sex for survival

BIOLOGY In the world of fiddler crabs, the best form of protection for females is, apparently, having sex with the neighbours, according to an Australian study published yesterday.

Researchers from The Australian National University in Canberra found male fiddler crabs will happily defend a nearby female against intruders — partly because the females will dole out sex in return.

"The fact that the neighbour comes over and helps to defend another territorial individual is pretty unusual," said Michael Jennions, who helped conduct the study, the results of which were published in the journal Biology Letters.

"This study shows, for the first time, that in exchange for sex and other benefits, males protect their female neighbours from territory-seeking male intruders. The paper provides the first evidence of 'defence coalitions' between territorial males and females," he said.

Jennions and fellow ANU researchers Richard Milner and Patricia Backwell studied the behaviour of fiddler crabs living in mud flats off the African country of Mozambique.

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### Ukraine **H1N1 fears increasing**



Wearing mask as a precaution against flu, Andrei Melnichuk feeds pigeons in the western Ukrainian city of Lviv yesterday. Russia and Slovakia have tightened their borders with Ukraine as the World Health Organization began investigating a suspected H1N1 flu outbreak.

### **News** in brief

CALIFORNIA A new report finds that the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation failed to properly supervise parolee Phillip Garrido and missed opportunities to discover the alleged kidnapping victim he held for 18 years. The inquiry was launched after Garrido and his wife were arrested for allegedly kidnapping Jaycee Dugard and holding her captive in his backyard. Questions arose about how Garrido managed to keep Dugard hidden for so long despite being monitored by parole officers because of a previous rape conviction. FRANCE Paris prosecutors said

yesterday they will not appeal

a judge's decision to order former French president Jacques Chirac to stand trial in an alleged corruption case that predated his presidency. The case would mark the first time a former leader of modern France would be forced to defend himself in court. If convicted, the conservative former leader could be jailed for up to 10 years, fined about \$230,000 and disqualified from public office for 10 years. However, observers have said a prison sentence would be highly unlikely. Chirac, 76, said yesterday he is ready for his day in court, adding that he has nothing to blame (him)self THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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# Do funny girls have the last laugh?



sk just about anvone what they're seeking in a potential mate and you're likely to get the same answers across the board: Nice. Smart. Cute. Funny. Employed.

But what if the person sitting next to you at the movies is REALLY funny? What if they are a veritable comic genius and every comment they whisper is pure gold and you're laughing so hard that Pepsi and Junior Mints are catapulting out of your nose?

If you're a woman, you're probably going to want to see him again. If you're a man, you're probably going to bolt after the credits.

An unfair generalization? Maybe. But owing to my observations and per-

sonal experiences, I can't help but wonder (with apologies to Carrie Bradshaw) — when it comes to dating, do funny girls finish last?

Hey, let's ask science!

"Research indicates that, when asked what traits they find attractive in a potential partner, both men and women rate a sense of humour as being very desirable," says psychology Prof. Dr. Rod Martin. "However, it appears that there is a difference in what men and women mean by a 'sense of humour.' What

women mean by a sense of humour seems to be someone who will make them laugh, whereas what men mean seems to be someone who will laugh at their jokes."

Martin conducted study where young men and women were asked to select the traits they found most attractive from an array of descriptions of members of the opposite sex. "Women were more likely to choose the one who made others laugh, whereas men were more likely to choose the one

who laughed at others' jokes," he says.
"Being funny can help in

the beginning, but it can be a novelty that wears off," says comic Michelle Shaughnessy (myspace. com/michelleyshaughnessy). While meeting the friends of a guy she was dating and making them all laugh, her date took her aside. "I thought he was going to tell me how great I was doing and how he was happy that his friends liked me," she says. "He informed me that when it comes to the guys, he was

the funny one and I was making him uncomfort-

But for all the men out there who find funny women a turnoff, there are some gents who appreciate a quick female wit. Such men are clearly smart enough to hold on tight when they snag themselves a funny girl.

And it's those lucky fellas who will have the last laugh.

Sofi Papamarko is a 20-something writer based in Toronto. Her heroes include Desmond Morris and Nancy Sinatra.

**Views** 

# Step in right direction for Kuwaiti women



Within a week in October. Kuwaiti women won two small victories that were baby steps for wom-ankind, but a nightmare come true for Muslim fundamentalists, who for decades blocked political rights for women.

First, Kuwait's constitutional court ruled married women could obtain pass-

ports and travel without their husbands' permission. The court said the previous requirement was in violation of guarantees of freedom and gender equality in the constitution. Some countries' constitutions are much more progressive regarding women's rights than the law their parliaments

Why? The second victory for Kuwaiti women explains.

The constitutional court dismissed a case raised by an Islamist voter who claimed that two of four women elected to parliament in Mav

Dashti and Aseel al-Awadhi - cannot be members of the legislature because they don't wear headscarves. The other two female parliamentarians wear headscarves.

Headscarves have nothing to do with being a competent parliamentarian but everything to do with Muslim fundamentalist fear of women's rights.

For years, those fundamentalists stood in the way of women's political making Kuwait's parliament remained a boy's only club. Islamists forget they

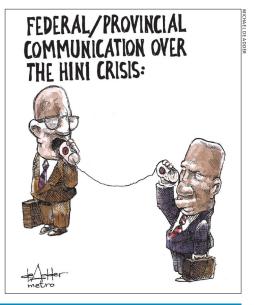
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to Islam or its interpretations and they forgot that for many of us Muslims, the essence of Islam is equality and justice, not a hatred of women or laws to curtail their rights.

All four women parliamentarians in Kuwait are Muslim. Two wear head-scarves. Two don't.

That is the way it should - an exercise of free will based on individual conscience and not the misogyny of fundamental-

Mona Eltahawy is an award-w Egyptian-born commentator and public speaker on Arab and Muslim issues. She reported on the Middle East for 10 years before moving to the U.S.



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# From bear to bull, say business leaders

are turning bullish about the economy after a year of doom and gloom, a new survey suggests.

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The Conference Board of Canada's fall business confidence survey finds corporate leaders believe the recession is finally over and that the economy will rebound in the next six

The mood of confidence is particularly strong considering that recent indicators, particularly gross dom.metrenews.ca

mestic product data for July and August, were disappointing.

Yet 63 per cent of business leaders surveyed said they expect the economy to year, as opposed to only sev-en per cent who thought it will deteriorate.

Significantly, about a year ago the responses were almost exactly reversed.

The 16-point surge in the fall survey brought the confidence index to 97.8, the highest level since 2007.

The survey of about 2,000 representative firms from across the country was conducted between Sept. 14 and Oct. 22.

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Workers of the Opel car plant in Bochum, Germany, enter the plant yesterday. Germany's politicians reacted with anger and workers readied walkouts after General Motors Co. reversed a plan to sell its European subsidiary.

### Forget 3G, now it's HSPA

What is it?

TECHNOLOGY Consumers looking to upgrade their cellphones have a new acronym to

learn: HSPA. All three of Canada's big

wireless providers are buzzing about the new technology, which promises to make smart-

phones more powerful. The HSPA technology is-

n't entirely new, as Rogers has already had it in place for some time and it has

rolled been out elsewhere around HSPA stands for High world.

Speed Packet Access, which But Bel1 can empower mobile and Telus are phones to download at levelling the blazing speeds of up 21 playing field. megabits per second. Rell's new network today, live

while Telus launches Thursday, the canadian press

### Westjet ekes out small gain in passenger traffic

AIRLINES WestJet Airlines Ltd. reports improvements in passenger traffic and load factor last month compared with October 2008, when the impact of the global recession began to grip Canadian consumers.

The airline said yesterday there was a 0.3 per cent increase in passenger traffic, as measured by revenue passenger miles or RPM.

"We are encouraged by our vear-over-year improvements in October's load factor and RPMs," WestJet president and CEO Sean Durfy said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### **Business** in brief

**MEDIA** Lagging newspaper and digital sales continued to plague Torstar Corp. as the company turned a year-ago loss into a modest profit in the third quarter on lower corporate costs and continued growth at its book publishing

division. The media company that owns the Toronto Star and other newspapers, as well as the Harlequin book-publishing business, reported yesterday net income of \$4 million in the quarter ended Sept. 30.

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Companies turning healthy profit during pandemic

### Flu **Outbreak**

**OUTBREAK** Many Canadian companies expect the H1N1 flu to hand them staff shortages and dropping revenue, but others are looking to turn a healthy profit.

The Bank of Montreal has

calculated that a mild pandemic would cut annual economic growth by two percentage points, while a severe outbreak would cut growth by six percentage

But not all businesses will suffer from the pandemic.

Medical equipment maker Noveko International Inc. savs it's received so many orders for its face masks that it's had to turn some down, while demand for its hand sanitizer has gone through the roof.

And Montreal-based AXA Assistance has launched a pandemic assistance hotline to help companies reduce the disruption in their dayto-day activities.

Meanwhile, Glaxo Smith Kline's facility in Quebec City has already produced seven million doses of H1N1 vaccine and expects to produce millions more in the weeks ahead.

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# AN UPDATE ON THE H1N1 FLU VACCINE



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- people under 65 with chronic medical conditions;
- people living in remote and isolated communities;
- people living with or caring for those at high risk who cannot be immunized.

It is important to protect those who are most vulnerable. If you are not in a priority group, please be patient. Everyone will have the opportunity to get the H1N1 flu shot.

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Dr. Arlene King, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health

### For updated flu shot availability and the flu clinics near you, visit:

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### This year it's a different flu season





Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Vicente Padilla is recovering from a bullet wound in his leg after a target shooting instructor accidentally shot him. Dr. Eduardo Reguera said Padilla, who signed with the Dodgers in August, didn't need surgery after spending time at Managua's Metropolitan Hospital. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Sports



### Order of Canada for Weir

Mike Weir, left, will become a member of the Order of Canada this morning and is pleased that the Governor General's office noted his charitable work in announcing his investiture. The former Masters champion will be one of 35 Canadians to be honoured during the ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa.

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### Flames flu shot snafu leads to firing

**HEALTH** Alberta Health Services says it has fired a senior staff member over the Calgary Flames swine flu vaccine controversy.

The board, which reports directly to the Alberta government, won't name who has been dismissed, but says it was wrong to give the hockey players and their families preferential treatment.

Members of the Calgary Flames NHL team were given swine flu shots at a special clinic last Friday as thousands of people waited in line for the vaccine or were turned away. The revelation angered many people who have criticized Alberta's swine flu vaccine rollout, which was plagued by long lineups before it was shut down Saturday.

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### **Player suspended** for rest of season

**FANELLI** The Ontario Hockey League came down hard on Erie Otters forward Michael Liambas yesterday, suspending him for the entire season after a hit that left his opponent with serious head injuries

Liambas was assessed a match penalty for boarding after his hit on Ben Fanelli of the Kitchener Rangers in a game last Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Ruutu shows off his versatility

### Defensive-minded Finn has sparked squad with his scoring touch

After seven seasons in the NHL. Jarkko Ruutu has earned the reputation of being an agitator and a pest. This year, the Ottawa Senators winger is also showing something else a little offensive flare.

Ruutu has four goals and seven points through 12 games and is fifth in scoring for the Senators. He's on pace to score 27 goals, easily eclipsing the career-high 10 he had in 2005-06.

However, it's not something he's spent much time focusing on.

"To be honest I never really thought about it," said Ruutu. "I just go game by game. I can score when I get

While his NHL numbers may not show any offensive prowess, Ruutu was second in league scoring in the Finnish junior league in 1994-95. He had 26 goals in 35 games that year.

"I actually used to be a pretty good scorer back in the day," said Ruutu. "Given my role now, things change."

Ruutu is a solid third- or fourth-line player who is counted on for his energy and defensive abilities. With several

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• OVER 150 LANGUAGES www.211ontario.ca cess," said Clouston. "He's worked hard. He's gotten himself into position and he's made the most of his opportunities. He does have a good shot." Linemate Chris Kelly says

he isn't all that surprised by Ruutu's numbers.

"Jarkko's a really good player," said Kelly. "I don't think people give him as much credit as he deserves. He's a skilled player.'

Kelly says Ruutu also has a great ability to lift the team's spirits when needed and isn't afraid to speak his

mind. That carries quite a of weight in the Senators dress ing room. "He

speaks when something needs to be said and people will listen," Kelly. said "He also has

great energy and can keep things light.

Padilla shot in lea

Ruutu has also seen an increase in his ice time on the penalty kill.

The Senators have the third best penalty killing unit in the league and have scored a league-high four short-handed goals.

"I really pride myself on the PK," said Ruutu. "I think it's a really important part of my game. I really enjoy

As for his being considered an agitator, Ruutu can only laugh at the reputation he's earned. He knows he's been tagged as a pest, but says he's fine with the moniker.

"What I do on the ice is different than who I am off the ice. willing to do whatever it takes to win, I never give up." THE

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# Yzerman tags Dec. 31 for roster unveiling

### VANCOUVER 2010 **Games**

**HOCKEY** Steve Yzerman has made some pretty impor-tant plans for New Year's

The executive director of Team Canada has selected Dec. 31 as the day he'll unveil the 23-man roster for the Olympic men's hockey team.

Hockey Canada is still working out details of where the announcement will be made.

Yzerman and his management team have been aggressively scouting NHL games this season, trying to watch Olympic hopefuls play as much as possible. They took in Tuesday's game between Tampa Bay and Toronto and were scheduled to watch San Jose at Columbus last night.

There are eight weeks before the remaining group has to select the 13 forwards, seven defencemen and three goaltenders that will wear the

Maple Leaf in Vancouver. Even after Dec. 31, some changes could be made. Any player that suffers an injury between that date and Feb. 15 is eligible to be replaced.

Canada opens Olympic tournament on Feb. 16 with a game against Norway at Vancouver's GM THE CANADIAN PRESS

### **Sports** in brief

NBA Disgraced former NBA referee Tim Donaghy was a free man yesterday after serving most of a 15-month sentence in a gambling scandal.

**BAN** The European Handball Federation has given a threeyear ban to the coach of an Austrian women's handball team who ran onto the court and stopped an opposing player from scoring last week.

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### Eagles' Westbrook says he will play this week

Philadelphia Eagles running back Brian Westbrook says he will be back on the field for Sunday's game. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Girardi's in-game calls come under fire

### Tactics debated as Yanks seek Series win

When Joe Girardi left the dugout every few minutes to switch relievers against the Angels, some wondered whether he was getting paid

per pitching change. When slumping Nick Swisher in the lineup, he was criticized. When he put in a pinch runner for Alex Rodriguez, his judgment was questioned. Now, his decision to go with a three-man rotation in the World Series is hotly debated.

In a sport filled with second-guessing, no one is analyzed more than the manager of the New York Yan-

kees. Especially the manager who succeeded Joe Torre. "Anything involving the Yan-

kees is going to

be scrutinized, is going to be looked upon, is going to be dissected,' team president Randy Levine said yesterday. "In any position such as that, it takes time to really feel comfortable. And it took Joe very little time.

From his very first day in

spring training last year, it was clear Girardi's Yankees would be different from Torre's, the shift not only in generations but in style.

Instead of holding a cup of green tea, gripped a banana. Instead of a Daily Racing Form on his desk, there was a silver BlackBerry, a black ThinkPad laptop, sunflower seeds and a health drink.

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For a recap of last night's World Series Game 6, visit: metronews.ca/ sports



### **Toyota opts** to ditch Formula One

MOTOR SPORTS Toyota is pulling out of Formula One racing. The world's largest automaker announced yesterday it needs to cut costs and focus on its core business.

"Based on the current economic environment, we realize we have no choice but to withdraw from Formula One. Toyota president Akio Toyoda said at a news conference. "This has been a very painful decision for the company'

Toyota follows Honda Motor Co. as the second major Japanese automaker to withdraw from the sport in the last 11 months. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### **Sports** in brief

POLO Random drug tests will begin next year for horses in po-In matches in the U.S. after the deaths of 21 elite horses in Florida that were injected with an incorrectly mixed supplement. MLB Detroit Tigers all-star third

baseman Brandon Inge has undergone surgery on both THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### **NBA Raps down Pistons 110-99**



Detroit Pistons guard Will Bynum, centre, picks up a charging call as he drives into Toronto Raptors guard Jarrett Jack on his way to the hoop during first half NBA action in Toronto last night. The Raptors beat the Pistons 110-99.

## Draw puts Liverpool in danger

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE Liverpool's chances of progressing in the Champions League took a big hit yesterday when the five-time European champions conceded late to draw 1-1 at Lyon. which advanced to the next

Liverpool looked to have secured victory when substitute Ryan Babel scored with seven minutes left but Lisandro took advantage of a defensive error to equalize in the last minute and put the French team through.
With Arsenal moving to

the verge of qualification with a 4-1 win over AZ Alkmaar, Liverpool is in severe danger of becoming the first English club to fall at the group stage since Manchester United in 2005.

Even wins in its final two games may not be enough.

In other games yesterday: Fiorentina 5 Debrecen 2; Inter Milan 2 Dynamo Kiev 1; Rubin Kazan 0 Barcelona 0; Sevilla 1 Stuttgart 1; Unirea 1 Rangers 1; Standard Liege 2 Olympiakos 0.

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Doing load after load of laundry can eat up an entire afternoon. Having a properly planned system can really help make this tedious household task go

much faster. 'Simple changes can put minutes back into every day," says Clare Kumar, a professional organizer and consultant, and owner of Streamlife, an organizing company. "Place your oftenused items close and buy products in sizes that are comfortable to use."

As laundry machines are often in a basement, Kumar suggests installing some bright lighting for spotting and treating stains, and painting the room a soothing light colour.

"It's worth making the laundry room a pleasant place to be," says Kumar. "It is a room generally only seen by family so don't be afraid to have some fun.'



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Air-drying is easier on clothes and also saves energy. Create a drying rack system that combines a high rack for shirts and gull-wing racks for laying items flat. Ikea, Jabba, \$5.99, and Jall, \$7.99, , ikea.ca.



Having a topnotch iron means you'll have topnotch creases. Panasonic 360' Quick Iron, \$89.99, panasonic.com.



your sorting system. Debbie Travis Woven PVC Laundry Baskets. \$19.99 each, Canadian Tire, canadiantire.ca.



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# What to do with the omnipresent leaves

you've exhausted yourself piling up multi-coloured fall leaves and leaping into them, and doing it again for your kids and the neighbour's kids, and so on, you might as well finish the job you started.

Raking leaves and gathering them for useful purposes is as old as the hills. These days, many cities pick

them up to use for municipal leaf composting pro-

But you can reap the benefits directly by using your leaves as mulch or as compost in your garden — it's free and you don't have to go far to get it.

Leaf mulch is like gold if you're a gardener. It is made up of leaves that are not vet decomposed, and acts as a barrier to prevent erosion,

freezing and windburn in the winter, and retain moisture and keep the soil cool in the summer.

But don't think that thick layer of leaves lying on your lawn will miraculously do the job. One big problem with leaving a layer of leaves on the grass or perennial bed, is that the layer can become impenetrable once it gets wet and matted. killing whatever is under-

So if you want mulch, shred the leaves - this way they won't matt. Do this by raking them into a pile and buzzing through them a few times with a lawnmower. Or, you may shred them in a garbage can with an electric lawn trimmer, or a chipper/shredder does the iob as well.

It's best to wait until the ground freezes to apply

mulch, since applying it earlier can provide nesting materials for rodents. But don't wait for the deep freeze either, since frost and extreme cold can damage plants.

When the time is right. pile six inches of mulch on the vegetable and flower beds, and protect sensitive plants, such as roses or rhododendrons. Arrange it in a doughnut shape around



trees and shrubs to protect roots (avoid piling it against bark, as it can be damaged by wet mulch).

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Grammy award-winning musician and humanitarian Wyclef Jean is collaborating with Timberland on a footwear collection that will launch globally and in Canada in December under ther Timberland Earthkeepers line. METRO NEWS SERVICES





Wii heads to the runway

Project Runway is strutting to Nintendo's Wii. Atari Inc. is developing a video game based on the popular reality TV fashion show. The game, set for release next year, will cast players as aspiring fashion gurus tasked with creating designs and outfitting models. Gamers will then be able to showcase their virtual fashions while walking down a catwalk using the Wii balance board. Project Runway, which formerly aired on Bravo in Canada, is in its sixth season on U.S. cable's Lifetime.

# Elegance rules the runway

Vancouver Fashion Week kicks off with strapless, long-flowing gowns

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Vancouver Fashion Week kicked off Tuesday night, and the runway flowed with eveningwear and empress gowns as the **Italian Chamber of Com-**

merce hosted opening night at the Westin Bayshore.

Showcasing Italy's emerging designers were II Karato's jewellery collec-

tion, Elena Vera Stella's eveningwear and Giusari White Revolution's wedding gowns and denim line. Strapless and long-flowing gowns ruled the show, from princess silhouettes to

layered chiffon and shimmering accents of silver and gold. Contrasting textures like lace and faux fur. cinched waists and jewelencrusted bustiers were seen in the Elena Vera Stella and White Revolution collections.

We have a number of established designers presenting this year," says Jamal Abdourahman, the producer of Vancouver Fashion Week. "International designers from emerging to established are showing this season and it will be a

diverse group of designers." Each evening will be themed and the line-up this season includes eco-friendly, contemporary, aboriginal and street wear. Tonight will feature a show with all South Asian models and Friday has a segment called Night in Taipei, with the debut of Taiwanese-born, Vancouver-raised Angela Chen's highly anticipated Orange label collection.

"For this season, my whole collection is based on black and white," says Chen. "It's my black and three places have an influ-

The show will feature 13 outfits — her first complete collection.

"My aesthetic is minimalism with a little bit of a feminine touch to it," she says. "I think my clothing is very Zen. The subtle details, the shapes



She says women these days take good care of themselves, allowing them to have a range of fashion choices. She says her con-

'It's for all women who feel comfortable and confident wearing them."

Vancouver Fashion Week is continuing to grow in presence and popularity as it reaches its 10th anniversary next year.

'It's so close-knit and it's little society and they help promote these young designers. And there is so much talent out there," she said.

> Left: A model wears a wedding gown by Italian designer Giuseppe Sarubbo at the inaugural event of Vancouver

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### **Paul Hardy**

 Acclaimed Canadian designer Paul Hardy will be showing his spring/summer 2010 collection on Saturday, inspired by the juxtaposition of the masculine and feminine. Layered, draping and unshapely silhouettes are paired with sharply tailored garments this season. Titled Patriarchal Femininity, the collection is his interpretation of male/female roles being bended in society, "a shuffling of aesthetic boundaries, and willfully distorting them." LINA TOYODA/FOR METRO CANADA

> Right: A model wears a gown by Italian designer Elena Vera Stella during Vancouver Fashion



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**OLYMPICS** Ralph Lauren's affinity for Americana will be on full display on athletes at the Winter Olympics in Vancouver complete with red, white and blue, stars-and-stripes flags

Polo Ralph Lauren began its strategic unveiling of its outfits

for athletes on Wednesday, with 100 days until the start of the Games. The closingceremony parade outfit includes a mostly red and blue shawl-collar sweater with antique buttons, a newsboy cap, a plaid shirt for the men, and a navy ribbed turtleneck for the

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Angela Chen's highly anticipat-

ed Orange collection (above) —

colours - will debut on Friday.

white group. It's a very clean-cut collection. It's all

about silhouette, the flowi-

"I went to the fabric store

and I saw the black-and-

white striped fabric and I

just loved it, and I basically

designed my line around

it. It's just really me. The

whole collection is real-

ly what I would

Having spent many years in the cities of Having

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women. Long-sleeve T-shirts with big bold graphics printed on the chest are part of the Olympic Village wardrobe, as well as white warm-up jackets with red and blue stripes down the sleeves and old-school alpine ski sweaters decorated with reindeer.

"We took a lot of inspiration from the 1930s Games, reaching into the heyday of the Olympics and bringing to a more modern sensibility," said David Lauren, the company's senior vice-president of advertising, marketing and communications. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### **Style** in brief

and, of course, polo ponies.

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#### Martin, Baldwin Oscar hosts

Steve Martin and Alec Baldwin are taking on the Oscars. The two Hollywood veterans will share hosting duties at the 82nd Academy Awards, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences said Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# **Underwood tugs at heartstrings**

### Carrie Underwood

Album: Play On Label: Arista/Sony Rating: @@@1/2

CAN IDOL winner's disc third boasts stunning ar-



ray of songwriters and producers with all the attention going to Mike Elizondo on opening tracks Cowboy Casanova and Max Martin on Quitter. These are the brain-trust hits designed to further elevate Carrie Underwood to the kind of cross-over pop stardom not seen in Nashville since Shania Twain left the scene. The strength of this album is found in songs that pull at the heartstrings. Kara DioGuardi's Mama's Song, is a track that should leave Underwood's boyfriend —

- melting into a puddle by the side of the rink. But the track here that shows why she is deserving of the 'most successful Idol ever' title is one that has the unmistakable stamp of Gordie Sampson, the Canadian songsmith who wrote her first hit Jesus Take the Wheel. Someday When I Stop Loving You puts aside all the techno, hit-by-committee gimmicks, and serves up a magnificent vocal performance set to a melody and lyrics that cannot fail.

Ottawa Senator Mike Fisher

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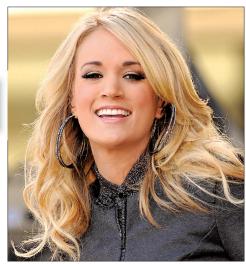
#### **Alex** Cuba

Album: Alex Cuba Label: Caracol Rating:

THIS CURAN-BORN Canadian's first two albums won Junos



in the re-spected but commercially limiting "world recording of the year" category in 2006 and 2008. It's doubtful, however, that Cuba (a.k.a. Alexis Puentes of Smithers, B.C.) will continue to toil away in artistic anonymity. Cuba co-wrote seven of the songs on Nelly Furtado's new Spanish language album, Mi Plan, as well as performing a duet with the multi-million selling singer on one of the tracks. So it's fortuitous that Cuba releases his most pop-oriented album of his career just as Furtado starts skyrocketing up the Latin charts. Cuba has chosen to show off his considerable talents as a singer-songwriter on this record with 13 tracks (all but one in Spanish) all upbeat in character and positive in vibe. Cuba is an exceptional guitarist with the gift of Santana, but unfortunately his licks are too often relegated to quick flourishes and fills. Come on, Alex, stretch it out a bit.



American Idol winner Carrie Underwood has a new album. Plav On.

### Julian Casablancas

Album: Phrazes for the Young Label: RCA/Sony Rating: @@1/2

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album with cheesy synthesizer licks strung over fastpaced guitar strumming and his droning vocals. It's kind of fun on the first track, Out of the Blue, especially in combination with Casablanca's self-slagging, p- on my casket" lyrics. But by the third track, 11th

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Dimension, it degenerates into a low-grade parody of Human League, partly likable but mostly loathsome. Halfway through the record, Casablancas takes an interesting rootsy turn with gospel-tinged redemption song called 4 Chords of the Apocalypse and the country-flavoured Ludlow St., an ode to his own drunkeness. OK, guys, you've now got it all out of your systems. It's time for another Strokes record.

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### Slayer

Rating: ##

Album: World Painted Blood Label: Sony

SLAVER'S REST QUALITY isn't its speed or over-the-top

that



band members have been more or less consistent purveyors of aggressive metal since they formed in 1983. Their latest will sound familiar — wildly rapid guitars, a lyrical onslaught that's filled with violent imagery — it's not much different from many past releases. But, that's why people still flock to Slaver. Fans love the murder, anarchy and anti-religion messages, they want more of the speedy drums and crunchy riffs and these days, Slayer is one of the only name metal bands playing this type of music.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

### **Devendra** Banhart

Album: What Will We Be Label: Warner

BANHART, WITH

his Russell Brand-like hairdo, has

always been quirky and his latest — and major label debut — stays on the off-

beat course. On What Will We Be the musician's created an eclectic album of soft finger-picking folk tunes, louder indie rock, chanting and even Michael Bublé-like pop jazz. It's been recorded with a full band, but it's still as intimate as if he made this alone. It's not a masterbut piece, infectious melodies and warm sounds make it an engaging listen.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Can

### Weezer

Album: Raditude Label: Interscope/Universal Rating: @@1/2

### LET'S GET THIS STRAIGHT: Weezer

the isn't band same its was in 1994. Comparing



group to Blue Album-era Weezer is pointless. They were new, fresh and creative back then. Today's Weezer is so cheesy, the band wouldn't be out of place on a bill with Simple Plan. It's hard for old fans to stomach, but the tunes, including the ones off this disc, are all incredibly infectious, polished and radio ready. It might be perfect for current followers, but it's not so great for the 30-somethings who grew up with this band.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

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A scene with La Toya Jackson is being edited back into Sacha Baron Cohen's documentary Brüno when it is released on DVD on Nov. 17. The scene was removed after Michael Jackson's death. USMAGAZINE.COM



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# The high cost of big concerts

Secondary ticket market offers fans the best seats for top dollar

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI for Metro Canada

### You don't want to get on The Boss' bad side.

Ticketmaster had to learn that the hard way when, last February, it was widely reported that the ticket seller sent fans seeking regular priced tickets to Bruce Springsteen concerts to the website TicketsNow.com, where entry to the show costs up to hundreds of dollars more than face value.

Ticketmaster, owns TicketsNow, said it was an accident, a computer glitch directed fans to its secondary ticket site, but the damage was done. Springsteen was angry: "They did this even when other seats remained available at face value. We condemn this practice," he said in a statement.

Not only did this debacle hurt Ticketmaster's reputation, but it left a black mark on the secondary ticket market — a \$2 billion business that has been thriving for decades.

Until now, the market was driven mostly by scalpers and brokers. The though, Internet, helped legitimize the industry by making it much easier for people to offer tickets to fans at prices face value. While some people decry this practice as being unfair, others say the ticket industry is just like any other; people want to sell to the highest

"If 50,000 people want to go see Miley Cyrus and they're all willing to spend \$100 then why not?" says Sucharita Mulpuru an analyst with Forrester Research. "That's the way the world works.

Michael Hersfield, Toronto-based entrepre-neur who ran the now defunct secondary ticket site LiveStub. agrees there's nothing wrong with people paying more for in-demand tickets. It's how these tickets wind up on the market, however, that troubles him.

"The market isn't transparent, so there's more opportunity for abuse,"

says. "Why would Ticketmas-ter sell their best tickets for face value? They could get \$1,000 for a \$100 ticket. So they split the pie with everyone who's part of the bottom line, that's the backdrop of this whole sto-

ry." Hershfield artists



Bruce Springsteen and Ticketmaster squared off earlier this year.

are also holding back the best seats for resale, so they can have a bigger payday. And, despite how it looks, it's hard to argue that they're doing something devious. These

days

artists make most of their income off concert tickets. so the old model of keeping prices low may be

### "The market isn't transparent, so there's more opportunity for abuse."

Michael Hersfield

That's at least what Mulpuru thinks. She says the secondary ticket mar-ket is on its last legs — tickets will soon become more expensive from the get go.

You'll start seeing pricing that converges more to market value, so there will be less of an opportunity to resell those tickets," she

Hershfield also thinks the market is on its way out, but he says pricing will become more dynamic. Much like in the airline industry, ticket price will increase as less inventory is available.

For now though, if you want to see a show badly enough be prepared to cough up some serious cash. Or follow this simple principal: "Buy tickets early and they will be cheaper,"

says Hersings "Don't wait until it's sold out."

### **Berlin history** part of MTV **European Awards**

PEOPLE For Katy Perry, learning can be fun.

The singer, hosting MTV's European Music Awards for an second consecutive year, said that today's show is a chance to combine performances by artists like U2, Foo Fighters and Leona Lewis with a remembrance of the 20th anniversary of the Nov. 9 fall of the Berlin Wall.

"As much as it has to be funny, you also want to help educate my generation or the generation after me that might not know the importance of the unity of the Berlin Wall when coming down - how it really affected people's lives," the 25year-old Perry told The Associated Press.

"It can't always be rock and roll and partying and liquor," Perry said. "You have to have a little meat on the bones.

That's not to say music fans and party connoisseurs won't go away with more than just a history lesson.

Irish rockers U2 will play a special 20-minute set in front of the Brandenburg Gate - which lies on the line that formerly divided East and West Berlin that will be beamed to the 02 World Arena where the award show is being held.

Despite losing a performance by British singer Robbie Williams Grammywinner Beyonce Knowles will perform "a very saucy set," too, said Richard Godfrey, executive producer of the show.

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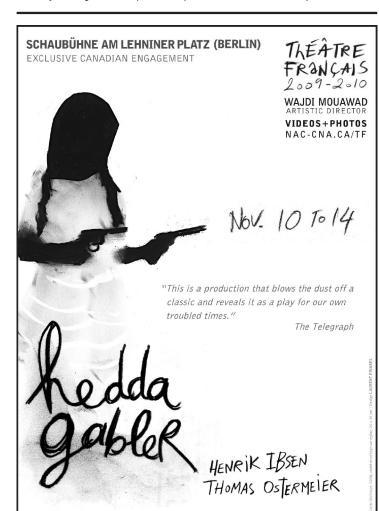
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In the latest issue of British GQ, Nicole Kidman opens up to the magazine about the varying degrees of her sex life, The Daily Mail reports. "I've explored strange sexual fetish stuff," she reveals. PEOPLE.COM



University of Chicago economics professor Stephen D. Levitt has co-authored SuperFreakonomics.



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# **Fun with numbers**

### Entertaining economics back in sequel

In their 2005 book Freakonomics, economist Steven D. Levitt and journalist Stephen J. Dubner used dozens of interesting anecdotes to prove a sim-ple point: "People respond to incentives."

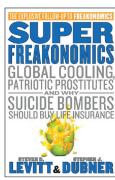
The authors apparently are no exception. After the book sold more than four million copies, the pair doubtless realized how lucrative a follow-up book would be

So they followed the same model for SuperFreakonomics: Global Cooling, Patriotic Prostitutes, and Why Suicide Bombers Should Buy Life Insurance. It works just as well the second time around.

Their strategy is simple crunch numbers about mundane topics to reveal interesting, unexpected conclusions. That's how we get answers to questions we never thought to ask.

It turns out, for example, that prostitutes tend to make more money when they have pimps. Muslim women who observe the one-month fast of Ramadan early in their pregnancy are more likely to have children with certain cognitive disabilities. Some people who are rushed to emergency rooms might have been better off if they iust staved home.

The real point is to make the science of economics a



little more fun - if you learn how to ask the right questions, numbers can give intriguing answers.

The topics are often random and mashed together in a series of tangentially related vignettes. But the writing is deft and seamless enough to keep SuperFreakonomics entertaining.

For most readers, the book will be a series of interesting facts that will provide plenty of water-cooler fodder but not

much else. Plenty of decisions get made based on emotion or common sense, the authors say, but that's not always helpful when the numbers tell a different story.

For example, chemotherapy is brutal, expensive and only marginally effective. Yet Levitt and Dubner say doctors keep prescrib-

### **Book Review**

ing it because they have an incentive to offer their pa-tients every option, and lawmakers continue to fund its research because they have an incentive to look tough on cancer.

For the most part, the authors come across as folks who would make for great conversation at a cocktail party. But that changes in a later chapter when they discuss the environment.

They interview a group of scientists who propose radical solutions to extreme weather — floating pontoons to drive warm ocean water down to inhibit the formation of hurricanes, and a giant "gar-den hose to the sky" to pump sulphur dioxide into the stratosphere to replicate the global-cooling effect of volcanic eruptions.

Here the authors seem to abandon the relative impartiality of their previous chapters.

Most of the book will draw interest, not antagonism. SuperFreakonomics isn't necessarily super or freaky, but it does make economic analysis a little less dismal.

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### Hilton assault case resumes Nov. 17

COURT The assault case involving the manager of the Black Eyed Peas and celebrity blogger Perez Hilton has been put over

until Tuesday, Nov. 17. Liborio (Polo) Molina faces an assault charge for allegedly striking Hilton outside a Toronto nightclub on June 22.

Molina didn't appear in court Wednesday as the case was adjourned.

allegedly Molina punched Hilton — whose real name is Mario Lavandeira — following a heated argument tween the blogger and Black Eyed Peas leader

will.i.am at Hilton a party after the MuchMusic Video Awards.

In the ensuing days, Hilton and will.i.am insulted each other in videos online and Hilton also filed a civil lawsuit against Molina.



The celebrity blogger sued for alleged battery and intentional infliction of emotional distress and is seeking more than US \$25,000.

The suit states Hilton is seeking to protect his rights to free speech and claims Molina attacked him because he made critical comments about the Black Eyed Peas' new album, The E.N.D.

The allegations have not been proven in court.

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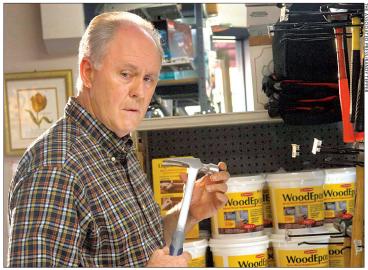
### In **brief**

FILM The Berenstain Bears are headed to the big screen in a live-action version of the beloved book series. The L.A.-based Walden Media, behind such children's films as the Chronicles of Narnia series and Charlotte's Web, says it's acquiring the film rights. It's teaming up with Toronto-based Nelvana Ltd., which produced the animated Berenstain Bears television

series. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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In this image released by Showtime, John Lithgow portrays Arthur Mitchell in a scene from the Showtime original series, Dexter.

# Enjoying life as a serial killer

John Lithgow was going to pass on the chance to play serial killer vs. serial killer on Dexter, with an Italian vacation, cruise and his son's wedding awaiting

He made it to the ceremony but postponed the trip, and he credits his very understanding wife of 28 years, university professor Mary Yeager Lithgow, with pushing him into the plum

"She's the one who said, 'No, you've got to take the role," he recalled.

Lithgow guest stars as Arthur Mitchell, the socalled Trinity Killer whose victims come in threes

and who both repels and attracts
Michael C. Hall's
Dexter Morgan in
the Showtime dra-

Mitchell fits the profile of those that forensics expert Dexter has judged deserve to die, but he's al so a singular role model.

Tempted to learn how the Trinity Killer has evaded capture, Dexter begins to make mistakes as he deviates from his protective "code," leading to a plot twist in Sunday's episode, Slack Tide.

Lithgow, who has a nearly courtly manner and is deemed a sweetheart by colleagues, enjoys bringing death-obsessed Mitchell to life.

"This man is very two-

faced, like Dexter. A serial killer by definition is a man who presents himself in a very different way to the world," Lithgow

said. "So it's an actor's field day figuring out what you reveal and what you don't." It's difficult to

push such a portrayal too far given the behaviour of

"A serial killer by definition is a man who presents himself in a very different way to the world. So it's an actor's field day figuring out what you reveal and what

ries that suddenly springs up in the news, you read it and think, 'My God, how could this possibly hap-pen? How could a human being behave this way? which in a way is really liberating," Lithgow said.

"You can't outdo the truth." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# you don't." John Lithgow on playing a serial killer real-life murderers, he "Every one of these sto-

### Hanks' '4-D' war film ready to open

HISTORY IN FILM Actor Tom Hanks says viewers are in for a realistic "wartime experience" when the new film he produced, Beyond All Boundaries, opens at the National World War II Museum in New Orleans Friday.

The film will be shown exclusively at the muse-um's new Victory Theater, which includes "4-D" elements such as props, simulated winds and shaking seats. Images from Pearl Harbor to the wintry Battle of the Bulge - the final

### **Grand opening**

 Hanks and others affiliated with the film are slated to walk a red carpet today for a private screening. On Friday there will be a military flyover and red carpet procession of Second World War veter-

major German offensive against the Allies - are shown on a 36-metre-wide screen.

The film incorporates

vintage film footage, animation and sensory effects so audiences can feel the rumbling of tank treads and booming of anti-aircraft fire.

"This is not just a widescreen movie," said Hanks, who narrates the 35-minute film, as well as an introductory video that will be shown as viewers wait to enter the theatre. 'There's actual things that pop up, actual elements that come into it that put you in the environment.

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Jude Law and his cast mates in Broadway's production of Hamlet have no reason to be melancholy: They are an official hit. Producers of the Shakespeare classic, now playing at the Broadhurst Theatre, said they've recouped the show's \$2.5 million US costs in less than three months. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Still going strong

### At 81, Estelle Parsons keeps wowing critics

complishments, esteemed actress Estelle Parsons still feels like she isn't doing enough.

The 81-year-old, who won an Oscar for her supporting role in 1967's Bonnie and Clyde and is blowing away critics with her leading performance in the smash play August: Osage County, says she's "constantly being gnawed by her social conscience.

"I just think: 'Oh Lord, I should be doing something worthwhile, I should be in Afghanistan helping out," Parsons, who also played the zany mom in TV's Roseanne, said in a recent

"I have this social conscience that feels like I should be doing something else. The fact is, I wouldn't

be good at anything else. I wouldn't be good in Afghanistan. I'd probably be freaking out at everything I had to do.

"I'm just not good at other things, and I'm good at acting. But it doesn't really seem like something that a grown-up should be doing."

The stage has always Parsons's calling, though it wasn't been even what she immediately pur-

Growing up in Marble-head, Mass., she belonged to a children's theatre troupe but decided to follow in her father's footsteps and go to law school at Boston University (she never graduated) while singing for fun in night clubs.

"I was going to be a politician because I didn't "It's a wonderful. wonderful part endlessly truthful and exciting and theatrical, which is what I really love."

Estelle Parsons on her role in August: Osage County

think you should grow up and be an actor." she said.

"That's because I grew up in New England. If I'd grown up in an artistic family, I'd think: 'Wonderful - the Fondas, the Barrymores, the Redgraves, but I grew up in an intellectual, literary family so it just didn't seem the thing to do.

In 1952, Parsons even be-

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In the play August: Osage County, Estelle Parsons plays the pillpopping matriarch to a dysfunctional Oklahoma family.

came an original member of NBC's Today Show before giving in to her longing to act.

Since then, she's received several Tony nominations and was up for another Oscar for 1968's Rachel, Rachel.

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pill-popping matriarch to a dysfunctional Oklahoma family that reunites when the patriarch disappears.

can't imagine that I will have another gift like this in my life," Parsons said of the role. "It's a wonderful, wonderful part endlessly truthful and exand theatrical. citing which is what I really THE CANADIAN PRESS love.

### **BTO** in court over band name rights

ROCK MUSIC The people who own the rights to the 1970s rock group name Bachman-Turner Overdrive are attempting to take care of business with a lawsuit against front man Randy Bachman and Fred Turner.

The B.C. Supreme Court lawsuit was launched by two other members of BTO, Bachman's brother Robin and Blair Thornton.

The pair claim Randy Bachman and Turner signed away their rights to the name Bachman-Turner Overdrive, BTO and any similar names in three separate agreements.

The lawsuit claims Randy Bachman's company trademarked the name Bachman-Turner and Bachman-Turner Union in both Canada and the United States earlier this year and that could be confused with the BTO name.

The statement of claim says the two men are breaching the BTO agreement and are confusing the public and business into believing they are connected with the business of Bachman-Turner Over-THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Keith Haring's motto was "Art is for everyone," and that sensibility is reflected in his works: brightly colored, black-outlined, cartoonish figures, appealing in their simplicity and accessibility even to those who aren't art buffs. Archival footage and commentary from fellow artists. including Yoko Ono, help tell his story in "The Universe of Keith Haring," 10 PM on 2 TVO



It's certainly been quite the year for anniversaries. Some have been unhappy ones, such as the Tate-LaBianca murders, while others are worth celebrating. such as the moon landing and Woodstock. The subject of "Berlin Twenty Years After" definitely falls in the latter category. It's packed with personal stories from people who lived through the fall of the Berlin Wall two decades ago this

### Doc Zone

month. 8 PM on 8 CBC

### Fox cooks up new show with chef Ramsay

FOOD Celebrity chef Gordon Ramsay has some new people to yell at.

The verbally abusive star of Fox's Hell's Kitchen has signed a deal with Fox for a second show. Tentatively called Masterchef, it will feature Ramsay trying to turn people who have no experience in the food industry into expert cooks.

Not surprisingly, producers say Ramsay won't be afraid to tell the would-be cooks the cold, hard truth about their work.

Contestants will compete by whipping up dishes to be judged by a panel of expert chefs. The new series follows a format that has already proven successful in England and Australia.

Fox did not immediately say when the new show will go on the air.

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Martha Stewart's Dinner at Home by Martha Stewart (Clarkson Potter, 2009): Martha's done it again. In her new book, the domestic diva offers plans of attack for 52 enticing seasonal menus designed to take no more than an hour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Five stars: Black Cat impeccable

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#### Black Cat Bistro 428 Preston St. blackcatbistro.ca (613) 569-9998

Signature Dish: Steak Frites Rating: •••• Dinner & drinks for 2: \$125

Walking into the Black Cat Bistro, we were greeted with a busy vibe of sophistication and a glass of bubbly since our table wasn't ready: An effusive and welcoming gesture. Once seated, the Table d'hôte (\$45) was an easy decision since it included favourites from the main menu and wine pairings (for another \$30).

The mushroom soup (\$8) with parmesan foam and crunchy shiitake chips was unshare-able: I wanted it all for myself. My partner, not normally a salad lover, ordered the crispy greens

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(\$11) that were wonderful paired with crunchy granola nuts and honey vinaigrette.

The steak (\$30) with its lemony butter and bordelaise sauce melted in my mouth. Served with the sage sprinkled frites, perfectly crisp on the outside and tender inside, this signature dish is not to be missed. My dinner companion found the smoky chicken (\$28) flavorful, with a crisp, salty skin. Completing the plate were colourful heirloom carrots, butter-glazed and perfectly cooked.

We found room for the chocolate-hazelnut confection (\$11) topped with caramel popcorn, an unexpectedly crunchy and salty addition. The sticky date Bundt cake (\$7) with Dulce





BCB Signature Steak Frites (\$30) and Black Cat Rocher Box (\$11).

de Leche cream was thankfully mini on size but big on flavour.

Every morsel wa

mouth-watering at Black Cat Bistro, leaving no doubt that it's one of the best restaurants in Ottawa.

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### In **brief**

TASTE WINE & FOOD at the Ottawa Wine and Food show this weekend at Lansdowne Park. Day Pass \$22 at the door. ottawawineandfoodshow.com

SAVOUR GREECE at a Gourmet Session held at Le Cordon Bleu Ottawa this Saturday. Demo from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and Kitchen Time from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. \$245 per person. cordonbleu.edu BUY ORGANIC at the Ottawa Organic Farmers' Market, open all year round on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. behind the Canadian Tire at Care Medical Center. oofmarket.ca

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### **22** entertainment



Here comes Mario Lopez as the Miss America pageant host. The 36-year-old Extra host and former Dancing with the Stars contestant will again serve as master of ceremonies for the Jan. 30 live ceremony in Las Vegas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lindsay's baffled by

Gerard rumour

ing.

### **Celebrity Buzz**

#### **Celebrity tweets**

Paris Hilton apparently doesn't remember fighting with her boyfriend on Halloween, Stephen Fry has to pretend. and Lisa Loeb shares one of her favorite @ParisHilton

I had the best Halloween

ever! What did everyone do on Halloween?

#### @stephenfry

Appearing on "Good Morning LA" this morning so practising being perky. Car arrives to take me to the studio in 20 minutes

 @lisaloeb4real crushed ice w/real pineapple/coconut juice w/a huge dollop of greek yogurt on top. Eat with a spoon. Refreshing.

like ice cream for bkfast METRO NEWS SERVICES

### Joel makes life hard for Sparrow

### JUST DON'T BE SURPRISED WHEN HE STOPS TALKING TO

you Joel Madden admits that he and Nicole Richie had an ulterior motive in naming their new son Sparrow: to make his life difficult. "My worry raising a son in Hollywood is, what will he have to strug-gle for?" Madden tells Britain's OK!

Magazine. "I wanted to give him a name that he's going to have to stand up for." METRO WORLD NEWS

### Carrie gives Mike a shout-out

I WANT THE WORLD TO KNOW... I'M A PUCK BUNNY Carrie Underwood's given her hockey-player boyfriend Mike Fisher a shout-out on the liner notes of her new CD, Play On, people.com reports. "Thank you #12," she writes in the notes, referring to the Senator player's jersey number. "You are the most amazing addi-

tion to my life!You

are such a wonderful

person and have had such an amazing in the building of this album of and in the growth of me as a person. I love you so much! You

make my life better in every way! I thank God for you every day... xoxo, Carrie."

Though the couple has mostly remained under the radar, recently they've been more open about their nearly year-long relationship. Last month Fisher talked to The Sens Show, a Web news program for the team, saying the busy twosome work hard to spend time together.

"Obviously tough with our schedules to see each other," he said tough at the time. "But we always find a to make it work'

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### HAPPY ABOUT IT EITHER Lindsay Lohan is baffled by reports she is romancing Scottish actor Gerard But-

ler, insisting the persistent rumours about her love life are all "lies," reports femalefirst.co.uk The Mean Girls star is

alleged to have enjoyed a number of flings since splitting from DJ girl-friend Samantha Ronson earlier this year.

The latest claims link Lohan to The Ugly Truth star Butler after they were allegedly spotted kissing at the grand opening of a luxury

beach resort in Morocco on Sunday. But she insists she wouldn't have the time to keep up with all her suitors if the rumours were true and admits the inaccurate media reports constantly keep her smiling. In a Twitter post, she wrote "One minute I'm dumped, the next I'm dating a model, now Gerard? WHO HAS THE TIME! Such lies keeps me laugh-

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### Chris quashes kissing Kate story

GWYNETH COULD SO TAKE HER OUT Chris Martin's rep is denying a new Star tabloid story that claims the Coldplay rocker, 32, recently kissed 26-year-old actress Bosworth. magazine.com reports. Star quotes an unnamed as saying that Martin was "totally making out with Kate in

an unnamed event. But Martins rep tells usmagazine.com: "This story is enuntrue." tirely

front of other people" at

Martin and his wife of six years, Gwyneth Paltrow, are "more than fine," a source tells Us.

The source says the alleged Martin-Bosworth make-out "simply happened. never She may have been in the same room with him, but he is not having an affair, was not kissing her or holding her hand.

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### Will Russell pop the question?

MONTHS? Russell Brand is set to propose to Katy Perry, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The British comedian who has been linked to a string of beauties in the past and is known for his womanizing ways — has amazed friends with his new attitude to romance and pals are convinced he is getting ready to ask the singer to marry him, the website says. A source close to Russell said: "We've nev-

er seen him like this. He always has a woman on his arm, or in his bed, and hasn't been

interested in monogamy. But this is different - we all think it won't be long before he marries Katy. I'm waiting for a call to say they are in that Little

Chapel in Vegas and have run off to get married." Former Oasis rocker Noel

Gallagher added: "He's a changed man, Russell." The 34-year-old star admitted he has never been happier than since he embarked on his romance with Katy, 25. He said: "To be honest I haven't stopped smil-

ing. She's a lovely girl and it's going really, really well' METRO WORLD

### Harry Potter gets naked

HOT TIMES AT HOGWARTS Daniel Radcliffe apparently had such a good time going nude on stage in Equus that he's willing to strip again — for one of the last Harry Potter films. "Daniel Radcliffe appears naked in one scene where

Harry and Ron are fighting a magical creature," director David Yates admits to Italian magazine Sorrisi e Canzoni. "We see Harry and a woman embracing and kissing. It's an intriguing scene and very sensual." METRO WORLD NEWS

### Rob and Kristen seen making out. SHOCKING BUT POSSIBLY TRUE

Twilight co-stars Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart may be trying to conceal any possible relationship, but they're getting sloppy. The two were recently spotted at L.A.'s Chateau looking cozy. "Rob wanted a cigarette so

he went outside with Kristen for about 15 minutes," the source tells Us Weekly. "They were hugging as Rob was smoking his cigarette, and then he leaned down and kissed her on the lips. He had his arm around her almost the whole time.



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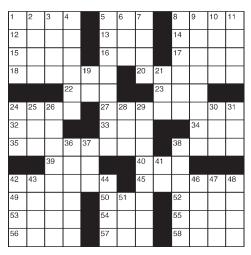




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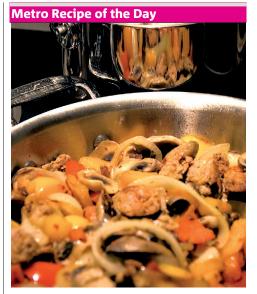
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### Take Five



### **Hearty Sausage &** Pepper Sauté

Submitted by Karen Green, Toronto

#### INGREDIENTS:

1 medium onion, sliced 4 mild Italian sausages (substitute spicy chicken or vegetarian sausages if desired)

1 tbsp olive oil 3 red, orange and/or yellow peppers, washed, seeded and cut into 1/2inch slices

4 large white mushrooms, cut into 1/8-inch slices salt and pepper

### METHOD:

1. Heat olive oil in a large pan over medium heat. Cook sausages, remove from pan and slice into into 1/2-inch rounds. 2. Place rounds back in

pan, add peppers and sauté for an additional 3 minutes, tossing to coat. 3. Add onion and mushrooms. Season the mixture with salt and pep-

4. Sauté ingredients until onions are transparent and peppers retain a bit of crunchiness.
5. To serve, heap generous-

ly onto a bun for an openfaced sandwich, or atop cooked rice. Just as delicious the next day! **SERVES 4** 

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### ARIES

### MARCH 21-APRIL 20

It does not matter whether or not others believe in what you are doing — the only thing that matters is that you believe it, and you do.

#### LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

(≗) Someone you live or work with is harbouring a grudge and if you say the wrong thing they won't hesitate to use it against you. So think before you speak.

### TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

Be careful who you confide in today: If you reveal a secret to the wrong person it won't be a secret for long. Keep it to yourself for the time being.

#### **SCORPIO** OCT 24-NOV 22

If you take what someone tells you at face value you will be missing half the story, and the other half is more interesting

#### **GEMINI** MAY 22-JUNE 21

You're not sure what you are planning is such a good idea af-ter all. But that's likely just a passing doubt that will disappear once you get started.

#### **SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21**

It might be wise to weigh your words in the balance, especially on the work front where not everyone shares your respect for the truth.

### CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 You'll likely have a falling out today with someone who doesn't share your aims and ambi-tions. But it's probably just as well.

### CAPRICORN

You won't feel quite so pressured tomorrow and over the weekend, but today, alas, you will have to dance to someone else's tune.

#### LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

Keep your eyes fixed on the big-ger picture today and don't allow yourself to be distracted by events that won't take you closer to your ultimate goal.

### **AQUARIUS**

JAN 21-FEB 18 Others may say you've been lucky, but maybe you should point out to them that if they had worked as hard as you they might have been lucky too.

#### VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

No matter how much you explain to certain people what it is you expect of them, they just don't seem to get it. Maybe you

should stop trying so hard.

### **PISCES**

### FEB 19-MARCH 20 Don't worry too much if you

haven't started a project you've been thinking about for ages. The longer you leave it the more likely it is to be a success.

### This day in history **TAKE A BREAK**

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### 1605: Gunpowder Plot — A conspiracy led by Robert Catesby to blow up the English Houses of Parliament is thwarted when Sir Thomas Knyvet finds Guy Fawkes in a cellar below the House of Lords.

1995: André Dallaire attempts to assassinate Prime Minister Jean Chrétien. He is thwarted when the prime minister's wife locks the door. 2006: Saddam Hussein, former president of Iraq,

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